

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 3, 2021

“He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin. Therefore, he is not ashamed to call them ‘brothers.’” – Hebrews 2:11

**Bless us,
O God.**



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12
Monday	Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday	Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday	Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday	Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13
Friday	Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday	Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	October 2	4:00 PM	Michael Bodie (The Paolucci Family)
Sunday –	October 3	9:00 AM	Jim Gurn (Pat Gurn)
Monday –	October 4	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Tuesday –	October 5	12:00 PM	Maria Luzniak (Margi Posnachiwsky)
Wednesday –	October 6	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Thursday –	October 7	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Friday –	October 8	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Saturday –	October 9	4:00 PM	Kathy Bozzo (Mary Ferris)
Sunday –	October 10	9:00 AM	Margaret A. Petersen (Cheryl Kurosky)

1st Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

This version of the creation story focuses on ‘man’ as the center of creation, whereas the first version (Gen 1:20-28) has ‘man and woman’ created as the crowning final stage, both created in God’s image. But despite the implication, this version still points to the real message, that man and woman are incomplete without each other: *‘the two of them become one flesh.’*

2nd Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11

Scholars believe that in this passage the writer is addressing a community of Jewish Christians in Rome. He is reminding them that God sent Jesus, out of his divine participation in the Godhead, to bring salvation to all humankind. Since Jesus became human in order to accomplish this, like all other humans, we are truly his brothers and sisters *within the act of salvation*. Critical to this is His suffering as required to complete, or ‘perfect’ the sacrificial act.

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:2-16

The key point to understand here, before trying to fully grasp the significance of this teaching, is that *the Pharisees were testing him*. Jesus was a teacher, a rabbi, and the debates between rabbis during the first century are legendary. It was not uncommon to verbally wrangle over controversial topics from the Torah (Genesis in this case), and certainly marriage laws were controversial. Jesus, good teacher that he was, forwarded his position with another quote from the Torah, the *‘two shall become one flesh’*. He then concluded that human law couldn’t override God’s law, hence divorce couldn’t be granted. It is important to recognize that the Church has always, traditionally, granted ecclesiastical ‘annulments’ for marriages that were invalid. In other words, a true marriage in which *both became one flesh* was not achieved. The main point here is that the new Church understands God’s laws somewhat differently than the Pharisees did. The Church, as the institutional Body of Christ, must make real decisions in real situations without breaking God’s laws. And, with the guidance of the Spirit, she always will.



MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN are available to pray for you or your loved ones in need of prayer. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-278-4590.

LET US PRAY THIS MONTH:

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold, Richard Arnold, Frank Bayer, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Ellen Burns, Tanya Calafut, Katie Calvin, Jo-Anne Catlin, Becky Cole, David Conklin Jr., Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Manny DeBonis, Jeanne Falk, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Wayne Hibbard, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Nancy Landes, Sue Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Barry Markow, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondì, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergent, Caesar Siedlecki, Edith Siedlecki, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Florence Trowbridge, Ruth Vandermark, Jesse Wells, Rosemarie Whalen.



LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PROUDLY SERVE IN THE MILITARY:



Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Michael Pelicci, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

PARISH FINANCES 9/26/2021

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	3,410.51

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Please remember that during these difficult times, Holy Name of Mary is relying on your continued support to meet our financial obligations. Thank you!!

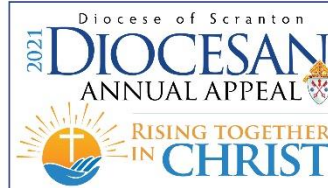
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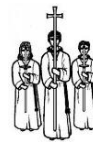
"The work we do in prayer and support of one another is the work of discipleship and evangelization. Like our Lord shared in the parable of the sower who went out to sow, seeds are planted and we may not see the results, we may not see the fruit of the work and the support that we give and we offer, but they do bear fruit with the help of the Lord."

— Rev. Gregory A. Reichlen
Assistant Vocation Director
Pastor, Church of Saint John, East Stroudsburg
Native of Susquehanna County

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Gifts of Any Amount Are Appreciated



Sunday, October 3rd – 9:00 AM

Isaiah Torres

Sunday, October 10th – 9:00 AM

Lee John Sullivan

Sunday, October 17th – 9:00 AM

Bernadetta & Albert Paolucci

Sunday, October 24th – 9:00 AM

Isaiah Torres

Would you like to become an Altar Server? If so, please contact Pam Tometchko at 570-278-0497 or speak to Fr. Philip directly.

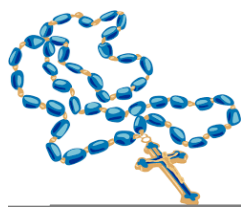


Weekday Masses are now being celebrated at 12:00PM.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

A Catholic Men's Conference is planned for Saturday, October 30, 2021, at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre. This will be the sixth such Event. The theme is "Called to Fatherhood" under the patronage of Saint Joseph and is sponsored by 'Be a Catholic Man.' This event (from 8 am to 3 pm) will be blessed with nationally known Catholic Speakers: Father Glenn Sudano (Franciscan Friars of the Renewal), Jim O'Day (active in Men's Ministries, Lacrosse Coach, and Self-Defense Instructor), and Karl Keating (Author and Catholic Apologist). All men --- single, married, and clergy, challenged to live virtuous lives in this very secular world are encouraged to attend. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, and Sacramental Confession --- a lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. Register Online: (\$30 till Oct. 9th) www.BeaCatholicMan.com or pay that day (\$40). Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer 570-746-0100 or michaelkilmer71@gmail.com.

Rosaries for Myanmar

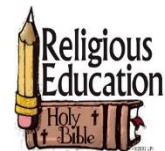


We are currently collecting rosaries which will be sent to a missionary church in Myanmar. Rosaries may be new or previously used

and may be placed in the marked box in the back of the church, or brought to the rectory. Thank you for your help!

-- *"The Rosary is a magnificent and universal prayer for the needs of the Church, the nations and the entire world."* -- Pope John XXIII

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BEGINS

Welcome Back! Religious Education classes have started!

Classes are being held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00 AM, since Sunday Mass will remain at 9:00 AM. As per Bishop Bambera, **masks are required to be worn by all vaccinated and unvaccinated children and adults.** Families previously registered last year should have received a registration form in the mail. Please fill out this form and return it in the enclosed envelope. If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child, forms will be available at the rectory. You may register for classes at any time. We look forward to seeing you all once again.

The following parishioners have thankfully and graciously agreed to participate in the Religious Education program this year as teachers:

2nd & 3rd Grades: Mrs. Cecilia Hibbard
First floor, Parish Center

4th, 5th & 6th Grades: Ms. Jennifer Tometchko

First floor, Parish Center

7th Grade: Mrs. Diana Shreffler
Second floor, Parish Center

8th Grade: Mr. Joseph Tometchko
Second floor, Parish Center

9 to 12 Grades: Mr. Michael Vaccaro
Second floor, Parish Center

THANK YOU so much to all these teachers for their time and service!